

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-12. (Canceled)

13. **(Currently amended)** A brush holder for an electrical machine, the holder comprising
a housing for receiving a brush, and
a prestressing element, and
wherein the housing for receiving the brush is formed with a ~~an essentially T-~~
~~shaped~~ securing element ~~disposed on the housing~~, for securing the brush holder to the
electrical machine, ~~the securing element comprising two essentially T-shaped elements~~
~~disposed on opposite ends of the housing and wherein the prestressing element is~~
~~disposed on the housing intermediate the two essentially T-shaped elements.~~

14. (Canceled)

15. **(Previously presented)** The brush holder as defined by claim 13, wherein the T-shaped
securing element is formed in one piece with the housing.

16. **(Canceled)**

17. **(Previously presented)** The brush holder as defined by claim 13, wherein the brush holder is fixed on the electrical machine by means of the prestressing element.

18. **(Canceled)**

19. **(Previously presented)** The brush holder as defined by claim 15, wherein the brush holder is fixed on the electrical machine by means of the prestressing element.

20. **(Previously presented)** The brush holder as defined by claim 13, wherein the prestressing element is embodied as a spring.

21. **(Canceled)**

22. **(Previously presented)** The brush holder as defined by claim 20, wherein the spring is disposed outside the housing, and comprises a spring arm which exerts prestressing on the brush through a recess in the housing.

23. **(Previously presented)** The brush holder as defined by claim 20, wherein the spring has essentially V-shaped spring ends for fixing the housing to the electrical machine.

24. **(Canceled)**

25. **(Previously presented)** The brush holder as defined by claim 22, wherein the spring has essentially V-shaped spring ends for fixing the housing to the electrical machine.

26. **(Previously presented)** The brush holder as defined by claim 23, wherein the essentially V-shaped spring ends are guided via a base of the T-shaped securing elements.

27. **(Currently amended)** The brush holder as defined by claim 13, wherein the prestressing element is fixed at two tabs and two recesses of a brush holder receptacle of the electrical machine.

28. **(Canceled)**

29. **(Currently amended)** The brush holder as defined by claim 17, wherein the prestressing element is fixed at two tabs and two recesses of a brush holder receptacle of the electrical machine.

30. **(Previously presented)** The brush holder as defined by claim 13, wherein the housing on the side on which the prestressing element rests, comprises an undulating exterior wall.

31. **(Previously presented)** The brush holder as defined by claim 13, wherein the housing is formed of two housing parts, and wherein the T-shaped securing element is formed of the two housing parts, or wherein the housing is embodied in one part with the integrally formed T-shaped securing element.

32. **(Previously presented)** An electrical machine, in particular an electric motor for power tools, including a brush holder as defined by claim 13.